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# Message from the President

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# Message from the President

**JULY 17, 2017**

It's Operation Move-In today! I hope you're as excited as I am to be welcoming our students back to campus. I hope to see all of you there as we help them get moved in! With their arrival comes a host of on-campus events that will kick off a busy fall for Georgia Southern.

On Monday, August 7, the Consolidation Implementation Committee held one of the last meetings, and approved nearly 150 recommendations from our Operational Working Groups. This meeting brings the number of total OWG approved recommendations to more than 500! There may yet be another CIC meeting in the future, but a date has not been determined.

On Tuesday, August 8, the Board of Regents met in Atlanta and approved the official seal for the new Georgia Southern University. The new seal adds three stars to our traditional design. The stars represent our three campuses: Statesboro, Armstrong and Liberty.

On Wednesday, August 9, I was privileged to join all of you for our yearly Convocation. I was so proud to recognize and celebrate the accomplishments of our faculty and staff, and share my vision for the new Georgia Southern University, which all of you have helped to create. I'm excited about our future, and I'm so thankful for all the work you do for this University. It was great chatting with many of you before and after the ceremony. Below is a link to a gallery of photos from the event:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/georgiasouthern/sets/72157683946469052>

In January, we will have a new, consolidated institution. All of you are so essential to this task, and I can't thank you enough for the tireless commitment you've given to Georgia Southern through this process. As we enter this Fall 2017 semester, I encourage you to be open to the changes, celebrate the many successes along the way and watch as Georgia Southern grows into a new and vibrant university.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Jaimie Hebert  
President